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**English Language Documents:**

US Patent No. 4,517,162, issued 5/14/85 to Moss

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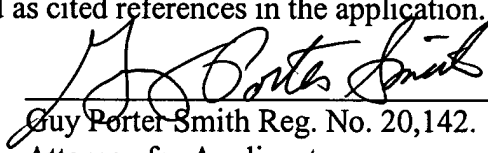
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